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1. KVP recruiting officers in the Leipzig-Halle-Merseburg are currently concentrating especially on the recruitment of female clerical personnel. In April 1955, the KVP Registration Board of Bezirk Halle (Bezirks-registrierstelle) levied a quota, ~~20~~ 45 stenographers on the Kreis Trade School (Kreisberufsschule) in Bitterfeld. These girls were to be recruited into the KVP ~~for~~ special training as clerks, teletype and telegraph operators and were to **report** for duty by 1 July 1955.

2. Since the age limits for such recruitments are 18 to 22 years, however, this quota could not be met by the Trade School. ~~More~~ than six of the girls had reached the prescribed age limit and of these none ~~was~~ willing to enter the KVP.

1. Comment: This report and others pointing to an increasing recruitment of support personnel in the Leipzig-Halle-Merseburg area would seem to indicate that, in addition to the KVP Groups Nord-Zentrum (Schwerin-Pasewalk area) and Sued-Zentrum (Dresden area), a third Group Mitte (Leipzig-Halle-Merseburg) is being staffed and brought up to full strength.

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